

House File 2197 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring institutions of higher learning and community
2 colleges to provide students with specific textbook
3 information.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 260C.5, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Post the list of required and
1 4 suggested textbooks for all courses and the corresponding
1 5 international standard book numbers for such textbooks at
1 6 least fourteen days before the start of each semester or term,
1 7 to the extent possible, at the locations where textbooks are
1 8 sold on campus and on the website for the respective community
1 9 college. For the purposes of this subsection, "textbook"
1 10 means any book used for the study of a subject.
1 11 Sec. 2. Section 262.9, Code Supplement 2007, is amended by
1 12 adding the following new subsection:
1 13 NEW SUBSECTION. 32. Post the list of required and
1 14 suggested textbooks for all courses and the corresponding
1 15 international standard book numbers for such textbooks at
1 16 least fourteen days before the start of each semester or term,
1 17 to the extent possible, at the locations where textbooks are
1 18 sold on campus and on the website for the respective
1 19 institution for higher learning. For the purposes of this
1 20 subsection, "textbook" means any book used for the study of a
1 21 subject.

EXPLANATION

1 22 This bill requires both the regents' universities and
1 23 community colleges to provide students with the titles and
1 24 international standard book numbers (ISBNs) of the textbooks
1 25 that will be used in courses. The bill requires that the
1 26 universities and community colleges post the list both on
1 27 campus where textbooks are sold and on their Internet sites at
1 28 least 14 days before the start of a semester or term, to the
1 29 extent possible. A textbook is defined as any book used for
1 30 the study of a subject.
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